Waists.

\$5.00 and \$6.00 Waists,

Towels.

Challies

\$2.89.

Lot of extra large Tow-

4c.

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Let of best quality Ta-

12%c.

Handsströllne of Novelty silks: very latest effects; worth 596.

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200 dezen Ladies' Rib-

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Ladies' Vests.

Table Oilcloth.

Regular price Sc.,

MAY BALL AND COMMENCEMENT FOOTWEAR-Probably more than half the participants in these occasions are shod by us; our variety and prices explain "why."

Busy May Shoe Days!

with buyers all last week. The cause is our unusually large and well selected shoe variety at very unusual prices. This week will prove, if anything, even more attractive. These are but a few of the offerings that will

Ladies' \$2 Brown Oxford Ties This Week at \$1.25.

A lucky purchase brought these exceptionally wellmade Shoes into our house. They are made on the new "dime" and "quarter" toes. All sizes and widths.



Our "Everbright" Tan Shoes.

If you want the most comfortable and most satisfactory Tan shoes try those made of our 'Everbright' Kid. This leather is specially tanned for us by a new chemical process. It never cracks, bardens, or loses its luster. When soiled, simply wash with clear water and rub to a polish with a dry cloth.

Hand-sewed "Everbright" Tan Shoes for men; 10 styles of Laced, Gaiters and Oxfords,

\$3.00 a Pair.

Ladies "Everbright" Brown Oxford Ties, kid or brown patent-leather tipped; hand-sewed, turn or welt soles, \$2.00 a Pair.

What Lawson-"The Terrible Swede"-thinks of our

\$2 50 a Pair.

Ladies "Everbright" Tan Boots;

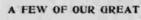
hand-sewed, weit or turn soles;

Bicycle Shoes.

Washington, 5-4, 1897. Messrs. Wm. Hahn & Co.:

GENTS-It affords me pleasure in saying that the pair of "Perfect" Bicycle Shoes I bought from you are the most comfortable and best looking Cycle Shoes I ever wore. Resp'y,

JOHN LAWSON, "The Terrible Swede."



Cycle Footwear Specialties:

Ladies' Nobby Boots, black or brown; perfect fitting and durable. \$2.00 Regular \$2.50 qualities....

Ladies' best Tan and Brown Vici Kid Boots; on most approved styles. \$2.50

Ladies "Everbright" Kid best-made Boots. None bester anywhere \$3.00 Men's "Sprocket" Cycle Shoes, in brown or black; best all-round Outing, \$3.00 Walking and Dress Shoes...

Men's Kangaroo Calf Laced, with electric leather pedal-proof soles. kegular \$2 grade—at. \$1.50 Men's "Perfect" Hand-sewed Black and Tan Laced; durable and very easy. Regular \$3 grade—at...

Better get fitted at once. So great is the demand for our Cycle Shoes that it has been impossible for us this season to keep up our supply of sizes. We can fit you

Wm. Hahn & Co.'s The Board Retains Mr. Ross as

RELIABLE SHOE HOUSES, 930 and 932 Seventh St. N. W. 1914 and 1916 Pa. Ave. N. W. 0

233 Penna. Ave. S. E.

A BOLD BREAK FOR LIBERTY

Ten Boys Scale the Walls of the Reform School.

They Escaped to the Woods, But All Except One Recaptured After a Brief Chase.

Ten of the boy inmates of the Reform School, on Bladensburg road, while playing in the large inclosure last evening, made a break for liberty. By scattering, the lads managed to elude the guards, scale the

walls and escape to the nearby woods. The alarm bell in the booking was rung, and all the attendants and guards su moned. Bush-beating parties started out, and late yesterday afternoon the authori-ties of the school stated that nine of the ten fugitives had been recaptured.

They were all found in the woods, near the institution. It is thought that the tenth boy is either still in the nearby forests or has come to this city.

AN ILLEGAL INDICTMENT.

The Claim Set Up in the Case of

Gilman and Others. Yesterday Chief Justice Bingham heard arguments in the case of E. T. Gilman, Charles H. Coons, and O. N. Lumbert, officers of the National Capital Life Insurance Company, of this city, on the charge of using the mails for fraudulent pur-Messrs. Gilman, Coons, and Lumbert were in court, accompanied by their orneys, Mr. Hart and Mr. Tracey L. Jeffords Assistant District Attorney Tag-

gart represented the Government.

Mr. Jeffords argued at length against the issuance of a writ of removal of the Chicago, where the inhardship and injustice of holding the de-fendants, and their loss of time and money, when there was no legal indictment, and THE NEW PYTHIAN TEMPLE.

Liberal Contributions of Knights and Friends of the Order.

The Knights of Pythias' Memorial Temple committee of forty-five, held a meeting Friday night, every lodge in the District being represented. The Pythian Hall board were also present, the mem bers of which made encouraging remarks concerning the project of erecting in this city a magnificent Pythian Memorial

Past Grand Chancellor Richard Good hart made interesting remarks. Treasurer Wagner reported that a large number of donations to the building fund had been received. The committeemen were inness men in the city, who are not mem-bers of the order, had volunteered to contribute liberally. The amount so far received is largely in excess of what the committee expected.

Mr. S. W. Maddux, sr., keeper of records and seals, said the time is not far distant when the Knights will be able to look upon one of the grandest and most picturesqu edifices any order has ever erected.

The committee of forty-five has issue

tickets for the Pythian Day excursion to Marshall Hall, on June 16. The entire committee will visit Capital Lodge, No 24, next Tuesday evening, where they will be handsomely entertained. Promi-nent members of the order will also be in

THE HOLT WILL CASE AGAIN.

Sait Renewed on the Question of

Distribution Among the Heirs. Today in equity court, No. 2, Judge Hagner listened to the arguments of the at-torneys representing the heirs-at-law in the Holt will case, who filed a petition yesterday praying that a per capita distribution be made of that half of the estate devised

under the will to Lizzie Hynes of Kentucky.

The question at issue before the court was whether the distribution should b per stirpes or per capita. Mr. Inglehart of dictment was found, on the ground that the papers submitted by the prosecution argued at length upon the contention that were not duly authenticated, and of a fact were not true bills. He spoke of the heirs, whose share will be greater were the distribution made per stirpes.

pointed out the defects in the ciaim of John
W. Arnold, a marshal at Chicago, whom, he
said, had gone before a grand jury in that
city and secured the indictment, simply
for the purpose of harassing the officers
of the insurance company.

A Capitalist Commits Suicide,
Chicago, May 8.—E Kellogg Beach, a
rettred capitalist, shot and killed himself
early this morning at his residence, 510
North State street. He shot himself in the
mouth, causing instant death

pleases us. Improvements in our store have become an imperative necessity, and we are anxious to use the hot months, when business is slack, to accomplish the work. Hence this sale. PRICES AT ONE-HALF -really so-is too good a thing to miss. The figures below will give you an idea of the reductions.

6%c.

5%c.

Jaconets.



\$1.00 Percale and Lawn Wrappers, \$1.29. 57c.

Sheets. Lot of Mohawk Sheets, size 63x90. Worth 40c., Pillow Cases. 28c. 1,000 Pillow Cases; size 36x45; made of soft im-ish cotton, Worth 121-2c.,

White Goods. 150 pieces of White neck Nainsook; 10 dif-rent patterns. The Sc 41/2 C.

2 cases of yard-wide French Jaconets; all the new colors and designs. Worth 12 1-2c. French Organdies. Handsomeline of French Organdles; prettiest pat-terns ever shown. Worth

9%c. India Linen. 100 pieces of line White Silks, Silks. Plain China Silks in all the light colors; worth 25c. 4%c. 12%c.

24-inch Figured India siiks: very latest patterns; worth 50c. Dress Ginghams. 200 pieces of new Dre Ginghams, stripes an daids, worth 10c. 29c. 5c.

Boys' Waists.

Umbrellas. Lot of 25c. Gloria Unibrellas, 26 inches; war anted fast black. 44c.

Children's Dresses. One lot of Children's resses, made of fine Ging-



Lot of Boys' Percale ham and Percale: size-sists: all sizes, from 4 6 to 14 years; worth \$1, to 14.

COMMISSIONERS SWORNIN

Its President.

WIGHT DECLINED THE HONOR

He Thought the Work of the Body Could Be Facilitated by the Retention of Mr. Ross-A Message to the President and the Response.

When the new Commissioners arrived at the District building early yesterday morning they found all in readiness for their induction into office. Mr. Ross was the first to arrive, and he repaired immediately to his room, where Secretary Tindall was awaiting him in order to administer the eath prescribed in such cases. After filing the necessary bond with the Fidelity and Trust Company of Baltimore, as surety, Mr Ross took the oath and was prepared afterward Mr. Wighttook theoath and was made a full fledged Commissioner. His bondsmen were Messrs. W. M. McElvey and J. P. E. Kumler, both of whom were

surcties in the amount of \$50,000. The arrival of Mr. Wight at the huilding was the signal for a general rush toward his office, and from the time of his ar rival until he retired to the board room, his office was filled with heads of departments and prominent citizens who had called to pay their respects. During the morning to his office, and when he arrived his com lookedlike a rose garden in full bloom. On desks, tables and even in chairs, stood large vases filled with choice roses and

other flowers. When it became known that the new members of the board had qualified and that a session would be immediately held, there was much speculation and no little curiosity among the clerks as to the course to be outlined regarding the many applica tions from persons who want District of-fices. Many of these applicants are strongly indorsed by members and Senators and several are very persistent in their endeavors to be taken care of. Beyond an inspection of the several applications on file and a general discussion of them, nothing was done by the board in the matter of appointments. Two exceptions were noted, but in these cases immediate were noted, but in these cases immediate action was necessary. Mr. Fred Alvey, who has been acting in the capacity of secretary to Col. Truesdell, was appointed to fill a vacancy in the office of the auditor and Mr. J. Van Allen Shields, fr., was appointed secretary to Commissioner Wight. C. B. Unger has been appointed to a place with the collector of taxes.

Although there are many applicants for

the place now held by Gen. Frank Bond, as sedler of weights and measures, and no sense a retrogression. He has been strong efforts are being made to displace told, in other words, that he will not be him, there has been no definite action taken given any mere charge d'affaires, or by the Commissioners. When asked his secretary of legation position, but that he views regarding changes in the clerical force, Commissioner Wight said he would make none unless absolutely necessary for the needs of the service. When this beair of contentment seemed to hover over the clerks and they settled down to ordinary routine matters none the worse for their fears aroused earlier in the day by the remor that many changes would likely be made by the new Commissioner in the several departments under him. Immediately upon the qualification of

the two new members yesterday forenoon.

the board went into executive session and remained so until 1 30 o'clock. No matters of any importance were taken up, and the better part of the time was occupied by Messrs. Ross and Black in informing their new colleague as to matters that would ordinarily come to the attention of the board from time to time. When the board met, Commissioner Ross immedi ately proposed Mr. Wight as its president, but that gentleman firmly and instantly declined to accept the honor, adding that he thought the work of the body would be greatly facilitated were Mr. Ross to re main president, and he proposed that ar rangement. Mr. Ross thanked him for the bonor and confidence reposed in him, the minority member, but declined to serve in that capacity unless the President of the United States fully indersed the choice. At the suggestion of Mr. Ross, a telephone message was sept to the White House inquiring as to the views and wishes of Mr. McKinley, and asking if the selection of Mr. Ross would be agreeable to the Chief Executive. Word came back almost immediately that the President wanted only a man who would look after the best interests of the District and guard its af-fairs zealously, and that Mr. Ross, as the president of the board, would be thoroughly satisfactory. Mr. Ross was then chosen to fill his old place, and the board proceeded to the assignments under the new regime.

As the board now stands it is a most admirably balanced body regarding the matter of distinct and definite routine arrangements. Each member will be assigned to one of the departments, divided into sn-aller ones, but in no way conflicting with the workings of the departments un-der other Commissioners. Commissioner Ross will have charge of all financial but reaus, including the auditor's office, the collector of taxes and the licenses. Com-missioner Wight, in addition to the police missioner Wight, in addition to the police department and other branches of municipal protection, will have under him the fire department, the inspector of steam boilers and the board of steam engine inspectors, while Capt. Black also mes charge of the office of inspector of buildings, elevators and fire escapes, thus giving him the exclusive control of all mechanical and engineering branches of the Distint.

It is pointed out that already this Administration has made several moves directly along this line. The cases of Mr. Adee, Mr. Thomas W. Cridler, and Mr. Walter E. Faison are cited as conspicuous exceptions to the spoils system and to the usual methods that have obtained in the State Department as well as in the other and engineering branches of the District.

This arrangement, it is thought, will greatly aid the Commissioners in the workings of their respective departments and tend to push the routine affairs with greater dispatch than formerly.

CROCKER'S



E have just purchased from the Dalton Shoe Co., of 116 Duane Street, New York, their entire stock of Women's \$3.50 Oxfords, in black and Russets, and will place them on sale Monday and Tuesday at precisely one-haif their

These will be placed on our bargain table and sold to first comers commenc ing at 8 a. m. tomorrow morning. Widths, "B," "C," "D" and "E." Quality considered, this is the grandest bargain ever offered in Women's Oxfords in this or any city on the globe.

Things. Other Good

\$4 Bicycle Shoes, \$2.79.

Beginning Monday morning we will sell Women's Full Length Dark Russet Vici Kid Bicycle Boots, \$4

00

50c Bicycle Leggins, 19c.

On Monday morning we will offer Women's Canvas Bicycle Leggins, in black and brown-50c

"Jenness Miller" Oxfords, \$4. If your feet are tender it will pay you to expend the difference and wear "Jenness Mil-

ler" Oxfords-which are as soft as a glove

and are the best Oxfords ever constructed. We own and control them-black and russets.....

Men's \$5 Shoes, \$3.98.

Beginning Monday morning we will sell all of the Men's \$5 Russia Cali 69 00 Shoes, in all the latest forms and styles, all hand sewed, at OUIU

SHOES SHINED FREE

possible exception of Mr. Walter E. Faison

who is said to be intending to resign voluntarily, these gentlemen have been in the

ervice for long periods, have risen step by

THREE-CENT FARE MOVEMENT.

Efforts to Extend It to All Large

Cities

Cleveland, May 8 .- Mayor McKisson bu-

received a communication from Boston, ask-ing the co-operation of Cleveland in col-

lecting facts and figures on the three-central-face movement. In Boston the move

ment is being conducted by a cititens' com-nattee, among the vice presidents of which

are Dr Edward Hale, Tiomus Higginson, Robert T. Paine, sr., and Josiah Quincy.

The neverment, in every respect, is being very effectively and systematically con-

Tre appeal of Boston to Cleveland to

strike bands with ber in this matter is only

the first step toward a union of all the great cities of the country in the cause of

ower street car fares, so that in the end

the movement will become national in its

step, and are apparently to stay in the

service indefinitely.

Higher Honors Said to Be Assured to liim.

MAY BE SLATED FOR CHINA

State Department Authorities Said to Be Favorable to a Plan for Founding a Perpetual Diplomatic Corps-Value of Men Trained by Experience in Statecraft.

lent Cleveland's Assistant Secretary of state, the gentleman who gives way to ludge Day, has been assured by the Mc-Kinley Administration that he will be provided for. More than this, Mr. Rockbill has received assurance that his position

may expect a mission, and a good one. Further than this, Mr. Rockhill is acquainted with the intentions of Prest dent McKinley and Secretary Sherman, to these gentlemen themselves have decided for him. It is thought probable, however, that the late First Assistant Secre tary of State will go either to China or t Spain, and that the probabilities are in favor of the former in

The history of Mr Rockhill's career is explanation of this probability, after the decision of the Administration to give him mission is accounted for. This gentlenan was for many years in China in the diplomatic service. He was a secretary at Pekin, and a charge d'affaires there. He is the only gentleman in the United States at all eligible for the Chinese mission who nows the Chinese language. He is well orquainted at the Chinese court. He kno the country, and he knows thoroughly the relations existing between this country and China, and, presumably, has good ideas as to the lines along which amic relations may continue to exist. It is thought also that Mr. Rockfill would be able to make the diplomatic and the busi ness relations between the two countrieven more close and even more profitable

han they are at present. However, Mr. Rockbill knows Spanish also, and is equally as well fitted to be minister to Spain. There is the possibility that some one else may have already been chosen or thought of for the Chinese mision, and in this case Mr. Rockhill may go to the sunny land beyond the Pyrenees A gentleman thoroughly well informed in diplomatic matters, and especially having knowledge of the ideas that the State De partment coterie has in its head, is outhority for the statement that this ex cellent provision for the Democratic Mr Rockfill under the Republican Administra tion, is the first large indication of a plan witch the State Department people have for a perpetual diplomatic corps founded on the models of those of European governments. This gentleman says that there can be no question that many of the officers of our Department of Foreign Af-fairs have the idea that some day we will train our diplomats in just such a way as

they do in Europe.

It is said that this Government has become convinced of deplorable deficiencies shown on certain critical occasions by our diplomats. It is even hinted that the Administration is acutely aware of the fact

that among foreign diplomats our gentle-men are regarded as more tyros at the great chess game of diplomacy.

It is suggested that if we could have men trained by long years of experience in the game we would not give the suave gentlemen of the foreign courts so many chances to laugh in their sleeves.

It is pointed out that already this Ad-

scope and character. From now on Cleve-land and Boston will act in close unison in ark, and a constant will be kept up between trem The formation of a citizens' committee of same character as that in Boston is probable here.

Who Became Hysterical. Buffalo, N. Y., May 8 .- Dorothy Morton omic opera, save she has resigned. Sir William Jardine, Bart., manager of the company, however, says she was dis

FIGHT BEHIND THE SCENES.

Dorothy Morton Strikes Violet Lloyd

Thursday night, at the end of the first act, Miss Morton, it is said, entered the dressing-room of Violet Lloyd, the English souhrette, and after a wordy altercation struck her. Miss Lloyd became hysterical, and was unable to go on in the second act. Miss Decosta took her place. The quarrel was over the applause bestowed

Meantime a deputy sheriff was grabbing the box receipts to the amount of \$600 under an attachment secured by Miss Morton, for back salary.

Carriage Manufacturers Assign. New Haven, Conn., May 8 .- Mandeville & Co., large carriage manufacturers here, have assigned. The head of the firm at tributes its failure to losses of \$40,000 several years ago through a trusted employe and the later business depression

Hennessy Given Three Months. James Hennessy, the all-around professional thief, was yesterday sentenced to three n onths in the workhouse. Hennessy was captured before he had been given an opportunity to do a job here, but was convicted under the vagrancy set

DOLLAR-A-DAY LABORERS

Complaints of Workmen on the Postoffice Building.

About Sixty Men Said to Be at Work Performing Contract Labor at This Low Figure.

The fact has been developed by our plaints against them that Mr. W. H. Doyle. of Philadelphia, and the Philadelphia Steam Heating Company, contractors on the city postaffice building, are employing men at only \$1 a day. Mr. Doyle is the contractor for the plumbing and gas fitting, and the een working for him are not in any sense

ssilled workmen. The Philadelphia Steam Heating Company is putting in the steam heating and ventilating apparatus, and their men, also employed at \$1 a day, are not skilled Inborers.

The facts of the case are in the old story that there were hundreds of applicants for the work, and the contractors got their labor for what they chose to pay,

There are wofully large numbers of ielle workmen in the city, who are reduced to the endition of being obliged to take anything that comes to them at no matter what figure. It is a fact that in all the construction

of the building up to the present time, these two forces of men are the first who are

conpelled to accept such low wages. The owest previous wages were paid last summer to two or three gangs of laborers, vbo received only \$1.20 a day. The complaint is that such a cut rate as this ought not to be tolerated on a Goernment building, and that these

contractors should not be allowed to take advantage of the necessities of the poverty-stricken worsmen.

The statement is made by one of the dollar workmen that there are something like sixty men on the two jobs. He says that

many of them have families, and that some

of them have been reduced by the hard

times from positions paying three and five times as much as they now receive HEAVY WEIGHT OF SILVER. New York Subtreasury's Walls Need

to Be Strengthened. New York, May S - Subtreasurer Jordan has found it necessary to ask Secretary Gage, at Washington, to strengthen the partitions in the sliver vault of the subtreasury in Wall street, which was built to hold \$50,000,000, and now coatains \$53,000,000 in silver, in bags. The silver weighs 1,600 tons, It is feared that the bags may burst at any moment and crish some of the employes. These vaults have recently been strengthened by oaken tim-bers, which hold up the lattice work. Iron

partitions will have to be substituted.

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A wonderful value—14 kurat 8.4 iid Gold new style
Extra Heavy Hunting Case Handsomely Curved—
antique bow—highest grade Waltham
movement—a watch that no one ever sold
for less than \$4 - lor.

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\$10 worth, \$1.00 down, 50c weekly.
\$15 worth, \$1.50 down, 50c weekly.
\$25 worth, \$2.50 down, 75c weekly.
\$25 worth, \$2.50 down, \$1.00 weekly.
\$75 worth, \$7.50 down, \$1.00 weekly.
\$100 worth, \$1.00 down, \$2.00 weekly.

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